

Reply to Final Office Action of Feb. 6, 2009

REMARKS

Claims 2-4, 6-18, and 20-31 are pending. Claims 11, 18, 22, and 26 have been amended and claims 1, 5, and 19 have been canceled. Applicants submit that none of the amendments presented herein raise new issues requiring further searching or consideration by the Examiner, as these amendments merely clarify features that have already been examined in the claims. Entry is therefore respectfully requested.

In the Final Office Action, claims 2-4, 6-18, and 20-31 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) for being obvious in view of a Shintani-Jeong-Hayashi combination. Applicants request reconsideration of this rejection for the following reasons.

The Shintani patent discloses a television with a picture-in-picture (PIP) capability. The television displays one or more sub-screens 37 and one or more corresponding captions 35 on a main screen 36 controlled by a remote control 24. However, the Shintani does not teach or suggest the step of superimposing a sub-picture OSD adjustment menu at a first location on a main picture region in response to a first selection within the sub-picture adjustment mode, or at a second location on a sub-picture region in response to a second selection within the sub-picture adjustment mode, wherein the first location or the second location is set by the user as recited in claim 11.

The Jeong and Hayashi patents also fail to teach or suggest these features. For example, Jeong discloses an OSD implementing device including a key input section 11, a control section 12, as OSD generating section 13, and a video input section 16. Figures 3A-3E of Jeong illustrate how an OSD menu for volume control is generated and displayed by these elements of Jeong's system. However, Jeong does not teach or suggest allowing a user to set the location of a sub-picture OSD adjustment menu in the main picture or sub-picture region as required by claim 11.

The Hayashi patent discloses superimposing a sub-image menu on a main screen. However, Hayashi does not teach or suggest the features of claim 11 missing from the Santani and Jeong patents, e.g., allowing a user to set the location of a sub-picture OSD adjustment menu in the main picture or sub-picture region as required by claim 11.

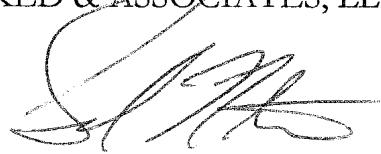
Based on these differences, it is respectfully submitted that claim 11 and its dependent claims are allowable.

Claims 18, 22, and 26 have been amended to recite features similar to those which patentably distinguish claim 11 from the cited references. Furtherance of these claims and their dependent claims to allowance is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and timely allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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